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NOT SO BAD AS LABELED

Secretary Cortelyou Says San Francisco Sailors' Home Is Well Conducted.

COMPLAINT IS INVESTIGATED

Findings of The Department Laid Before Congress—Other Matters Affecting Pacific Coast Shipping.

San Francisco, Jan. 2.—Secretary Cortelyou, of the department of commerce and labor, has completed his investigation into the charges preferred by the British embassy against the management of the Sailors' home in this city, and has published a report covering 73 pages of the senate document of closely printed matter.

The British embassy charged that there is strong reason for believing that this institution, under its present management, differs but little from a crimping establishment, although it is alleged that the building is the property of the United States government and leased at a low rent to the home for charitable purposes in connection with the care of seamen.

"The testimony shows," says Secretary Cortelyou, "that the Sailors' home at San Francisco is, in the main, a well-conducted sailors' boarding house. The home now appears to be conducted principally as a sailors' boarding house for the profit of the superintendent, with incidental philanthropy. I have deemed it best to transmit the papers directly to congress to determine whether its purpose is being fulfilled, and, if not, what disposition shall be made of the property, which is valuable."

QUIET ALONG THE FRONT.

Barkentine Georgina and Schooner Volunteer Come For Lumber.

Things were very quiet along the water front yesterday, and but two movements were reported from the mouth of the river. Both vessels were lumber carriers, the barkentine Georgina arriving during the morning and the schooner Volunteer during the afternoon. The master of the Volunteer reached the customs house before the close of business and entered his vessel.

The barkentine Georgina comes from San Francisco and will load lumber at Portland. She was here last year and loaded lumber for Chinese ports. She registers 570 tons and is commanded by Captain C. W. Brandt.

The Volunteer also came from San Francisco and is booked to proceed to St. Helens to load. The schooner A. F. Coats, which arrived from San Francisco on New Year's day, will likewise load lumber at St. Helens.

Foreign shipping has been very dull during the past two months, and were it not for the lumber carriers things would be very quiet along the river front. Charter rates for foreign loading are decidedly low, the latest vessel to be engaged, the British bark East African, having been taken for wheat loading to England for 20 shillings. It is probable there will be a rise in rates on account of the advance in risks due to the uncertainty of the situation in the far east.

WILL NOT PROSECUTE.

Captain of Andorinha to Drop Case Against Sullivan.

Captain Nicholas, of the British bark Andorinha, like many other skippers, visiting Portland, has a poor opinion of the sailor boarding-house fraternity, but declines to invoke the law against them. Although he accuses Larry Sullivan of boarding the vessel and enticing away several sailors, he says he will not prosecute him. According to Sullivan's story, several of the men who signed with the ship at San Francisco expressed their intention of leaving the vessel and asked him to go down and get their clothes. He went to the dock where he met Captain Nicholas and after introducing himself was given permission, he says, to go aboard. He took the men's belongings with them up to his boarding house and there the matter ends, so far as he is concerned.

The captain's version, however, differs from this. He says he did not invite Sullivan aboard his ship, nor did he acquiesce in any manner with the desertion of the men. He considers the entire proceedings as outrageous, and at first decided to prosecute Sullivan, but since then he has apparently changed his mind. The captain says he was persuaded not to take the case into the courts by the British consul, who pointed out that he had made a

mistake by allowing Sullivan on board the ship.

District Attorney Manning is willing to prosecute the case if Captain Nicholas will swear out a complaint and stay to fight the matter out, but does not care to start a prosecution of this kind and then have the ship sail and carry away his evidence.

Marine Notes.

The steamer Signal is on the way up from San Francisco. She will stop at Coos bay.

The barkentine Gardiner City sailed New Year's day from San Francisco for Astoria. She will load lumber.

Captain L. O. Fosen, former master of the steamer Melville Dollar, has been succeeded by his brother, Captain C. J. Fosen.

The pilot schooner Joseph Pulitzer has returned to her station off the mouth of the river. Pilots Gunderson, Johnson and Matthews are aboard.

The steamer Francis H. Leggett is discharging 60,000 feet of redwood lumber at Portland. When she finishes she will take on a cargo of grain and a deck load of Oregon lumber.

The schooner A. F. Coats, which arrived New Year's day from San Francisco, made a quick trip up the coast, thanks to favorable weather. She left the Bay City on Christmas day.

PLAN TO ASSIST HOSPITALS.

Many Institutions Now Operated at Great Loss.

New York, Jan. 2.—Statistics showing that a number of private hospitals in this city are operated under conditions which result in an annual total deficit of \$450,000 have resulted in the proposal of a plan, formulated by persons interested in charitable work, to raise a fund of \$10,000,000. The income from this fund would, it is estimated, enable all the institutions to carry on their work unrestricted by lack of money. Steps are now to be taken with a view of interesting wealthy citizens in the matter. Inquiries made among the hospitals show that the trustees have been meeting the large deficits by using unrestricted legacies and even by applying portions of their principal. At times it is said the endowment funds have been heavily depleted in order to pay current expenses.

AMERICAN HIERARCHY TO MEET.

In Event of Primate Being Established Changes Will Follow.

New York, Jan. 2.—A special meeting of the American hierarchy of the Catholic church has been called for January 31 at Washington. A conference of the trustees of the Catholic university has also been ordered. It is said the latter meeting is to consider the present condition of the university. The project of creating a primate in the United States will, it is said, be considered by the hierarchy and the findings of the council will be carried to Rome by Archbishop Farley.

The establishment of a primate in this country probably would result in the withdrawal of the Apostolic delegate at Washington and the transfer of Monsignor Falcone to some European post. Another project to come under consideration at the meeting of the hierarchy will be the convocation of another plenary council. It is stated that if the primacy is not established the calling of the council will follow. The conference will delay Archbishop Farley's departure for Rome until early in February.

MORMONISM DENIES CHARGE

President Smith and Associates Wire President Gompers.

Salt Lake, Utah, Jan. 2.—President Joseph H. Smith and his advisers in the first presidency of the Mormon church have telegraphed President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor, denying that the church has taken a stand against union labor.

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A black purse containing a small sum of money, a locket and chain, and a roundtrip ticket on the A. & C. R. R. between this city and Portland, was lost near the depot Christmas eve. Finder will please return to this office.

January Sale.

Mrs. R. Ingleton will have a big reduction sale during the month of January on hats, skirts, shirt waists, undies and all kinds of ladies' and children's furnishing goods, hair switches and pompadours.

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Call for Proposals.

Sealed proposals for the erection of a cold storage warehouse to be built on the site of the Hawthorn cannery in Astoria, Oregon, will be received at this office until 11:00 a. m. January 5, 1904, and then publicly opened. Specifications and all available information will be furnished on application to this office.

Columbia River Packers' Association Samuel Elmore, Vice-President. Astoria, Ore., Dec. 21, 1903.

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Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the committee on Streets and Public Ways of the common council of the City of Astoria, Superintendent of Streets and City Surveyor have filed with the Auditor and Police Judge of said City a certificate of the acceptance of the improvement of Franklin avenue, from the west line of Fifth street to the west line of Ninth street, under ordinance No. 2231, by L. Lebeck, the contractor, and unless objections are filed against the same, said improvement will be accepted by ordinance at the next regular meeting of said council.

OLOF ANDERSON, Auditor and Police Judge.

Dated Astoria, Oregon, December 29, 1903.

City Treasurer's Notice.

There is money in the City Treasury to pay the following warrants drawn on the following streets:

Alleyway and Cedar, No. 16,460 to 16,465, inclusive. Fifty-one and Birch, No. 16,441.

Fourth street, Bond to Astor, No. 16,312.

Fifth, Commercial to Astor, No. 16,384 and 16,385.

Fifteenth, Jerome to Niagara, Nos. 16,202, 16,203, 16,204.

Eighth street, Commercial to Astor, Nos. 16,606, 16,607, 16,608.

Eleventh street, Bond to Franklin, Nos. 16,709 to 16,714 inclusive.

Interest will cease after this date. THOMAS DBALEY, City Treasurer.

Astoria, Ore., Dec. 19, 1903.

Assessment Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the assessment made for the purpose of improving 50th street from the south line of Cedar street, to the north line of Date street as per assessment roll No. 71 was made by an order of the common council due and payable January 8th, 1904 by ordinance No. 2873 confirming said assessment roll. That the following are the names of the persons against whom the assessments are made, amounts owing by each, to-wit: Allen, E. F. \$13.55 Anderson, George 30.00 Duffner, Otto 25.41 Kelly, Mary M. 196.23 Wevang, Andrew Heirs of 3.39 City of Astoria 70.22

By order of the common council, OLOF ANDERSON, Auditor and Police Judge.

Dated Astoria, Oregon, Dec. 26, 1903.

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Notice of Dissolution.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing under the name of the Franklin Printing Company is this day dissolved by mutual consent. The business of publishing The Astorian will be conducted in future by the Astorian Publishing Company, to whom all accounts due said firm are payable.

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